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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-18 are pending. Claims 1, 6, 8, and 16-17 have been amended. No claim has been added or canceled. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-11 and 16-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 1, 6, 8, 16, 17, and 18 have been amended in response to the rejection. Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 12-14.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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